REMARKS

Specification paragraphs 0001 and 0038 have been amended to address formalities. Claims 1-15 are allowed. Claims 16, 17, 19-26, and 28 have been cancelled without prejudice, and may be pursued in a later application. Allowable claims 18 and 27 have been cancelled and rewritten into independent form as new claims 29 and 30. Accordingly, all of the claims are now in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is requested.

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